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AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH
A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed on August 16, 2007, in connection with the above-identified patent application. A response to the Office Action is due by November 16, 2007, and accordingly, this Amendment is timely filed. **Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

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